

Amendments to the Specification

At page 3, please substitute new paragraphs 1-7 for the as-filed paragraphs 1-5:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Figure 1 is a schematic cross-sectional view of a portion of an insulated duct assembly in accordance with this invention.

Figure 2 is a schematic cross-sectional view of a portion of the insulated duct assembly in accordance with another embodiment of this invention.

Figure 3 is a schematic partially cut away view in perspective of an insulated duct assembly in accordance with this invention.

Figure 4 is a schematic cross-sectional view of a portion of an insulated duct assembly combining the embodiments of Figs. 1 and 2.

Figure 5 is a schematic cross-sectional view of a portion of the insulated duct assembly in accordance with another embodiment of this invention.

Figure 6 is a schematic partially cut away view in perspective of an insulated duct assembly in accordance with this invention.

Figure 7 is a schematic view in perspective of an insulated duct assembly in accordance with this invention.

Please delete paragraph 3, page 4, and substitute therefore the following paragraph:

A wicking layer section 40 of the wicking layer 15 extends into the interior of the air duct 12, typically through a joint 18 of the elongated duct 12. Although the joint 18 is depicted as being in the center of the elongated duct, the wicking layer 15 may extend through joints located in the corners, sides or bottom of the elongated duct. The joints may be zippered joints commonly known in the art. Fig. 6 depicts a first zippered joint 92 on a first air duct 96 and a second zippered joint 94 on a second air duct 98. As shown in Fig. 7, the inner wicking layer 15 may extend through said air duct in intervals of about four feet.

Please delete paragraph 4, page 5 and substitute therefore the following paragraph:

The wicking layer section may also be inserted into a joint between adjoining air ducts. Fig. 3 illustrates a first air duct 44 and second air duct 61 encased by insulation blanket 50. Wicking layer section 48 is inserted into the interior of the air duct via joint 46. For illustration purposes, the insulation blanket does not encase